

**Joint Village/Town Negotiation Committee Minutes**  
**October 29, 2012**

Town representatives present: Keith Seward, Bob Elkins and Gof Thomson. Village representatives present: Jim Salter, Kevin Budsberg and Dan Gartzke. Also in attendance: Village Administrator Nicholas Owen and Mark Roffers.

Call to Order - Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Jim Salter.

Announcement: All cell phones are to remain silent during the meeting.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Keith Seward to approve the agenda as presented, second by Kevin Budsberg. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of 9/26/12 Meeting: Motion by Kevin Budsberg to approve the minutes as presented, second by Gof Thomson. Motion carried.

Consideration: Suspension of Cooperative Plan Negotiation: Gof Thomson requested that discussion on this item be postponed until the next meeting. Motion by Keith Seward to table, second by Gof Thomson. Motion carried.

Discussion/Recommendation: Potential Changes to Cooperative Plan before Adoption: The committee resumed review of the table comparing positions on the Cooperative Plan prepared by Dan Gartzke.

5) The Village is requesting removal of language allowing the Joint Planning Committee to approve changes to the Village's Peripheral and Extraterritorial Plan. Town members want to have a say in changes that affect Town residents. The committee discussed alternate language but came to no consensus.

6) The committee discussed the Village's request for annexation for non-residential developments to occur prior to extension of water and sewer services, similar to the current practice. The Town is concerned that properties will be annexed but not developed and would like to see these properties detached back to the Town. The committee discussed alternate language and came to a consensus on not allowing annexation until utilities are extended and not extending utilities until the property is rezoned in the ETZ. Mark Roffers suggested that this resolution could address issue #5 as well, by giving the Town some say on rezonings for non-residential development in the planning area. #5 could be resolved by providing the Joint Planning Committee the ability to "review" proposed amendments to the Village Peripheral and Extraterritorial Area Plan, but not a requirement that they favorably recommend plan amendments for them to take effect.

7) The committee discussed the Village's request to have the Town CDA member recuse themselves from discussion on confidential times before the CDA regarding negotiation between the Village and Town. The Town expressed their concern for their representative being arbitrarily excluded from discussion. Consensus of the committee was to include language for members to follow State Statutes regarding conflict of interest and non-disclosure of information discussed in closed session, and if a member refuses to recuse himself or herself from an item the CDA could forward the item to the Village Board without CDA action.

8) The committee discussed the Village's request for the Town not to create a sanitary district in the Cooperative Plan Boundary or one outside of the boundary that serves property in the boundary. After discussion, Town members agreed to the change, if limited to sewer and water service.

9) The Village is requesting removing reference to not charging a surcharge on utility bills for serving residents outside of the Village since utilities are regulated by the PSC. Administrator Owen explained the reasoning behind this is if a utility fails the Village taxpayers will be on the hook for picking up the

costs and residents outside of the Village will not contribute towards this. The Town representatives objected to their residents being charged a different rate than Village residents. After discussion consensus was language would be added to the cooperative plan allowing for the surcharge, provided that it was limited to a situation involving the financial distress of the utility and/or the PSC or Village notified all affected residents in advance to give them a chance to understand and weigh in on the request. All rate adjustments would require PSC approval.

10) The committee discussed the Village request to have all existing roads that are annexed to the Village be a PASER rating of 5 or higher at the time of annexation. Town members thought this was part of the agreement from the start and agreed to the revision.

11) The committee discussed the Village request to make the cost sharing for projects 50/50 rather than based on equalized value. Consensus was to leave language with equalized value and to determine the ratio at the beginning of each year.

12) The committee discussed the Village's opposition to the revenue sharing for the library ending after 10 years. After discussion the committee agreed to postpone discussing until the next meeting along with other library-related issues.

13) The committee discussed attorney Bechler's concerns regarding the Village residents paying a greater portion of the storm water management costs. Consensus of the committee was that this issue is adequately addressed.

The Committee then reviewed 4 additional earlier comments from the Town of New Glarus:

- 1) The plan will clarify to whom the Town will write revenue sharing and impact fee checks.
- 2) Chapter 14 will be rewritten to clarify the use of impact fees. Mark Roffers noted he attempted to issues 1) and 2) in his October 10 memo.
- 3) Keith Seward provided an update sheet detailing the revenue sharing agreement based on 2011 numbers from the library. Using the current formula the fee would be \$18,359.54. The committee discussed the potential for escalation of this payment each year based on the Town contributions. The Committee discussed an alternative and/or simpler formula for Town contributions. The Town will caucus with its members regarding this provision.
- 4) The committee briefly discussed the issue of how to divide the cost of stormwater management projects. Consensus was that this would be covered by the stormwater management study conducted in accordance with the cooperative plan.

Discussion: Next Steps in Cooperative Plan Process: No discussion occurred on this item.

Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items: The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

Adjournment: Motion by Kevin Budsberg to adjourn, second by Gof Thomson. Motion carried at 8:31 p.m.

Nicholas W. Owen, Administrator